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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanding General, Training and Doctrine Command, ATTN: ATTG-II, Building 161, 5 Fenwick Road, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1047

SUBJECT: Rifle Marksmanship (RM) Strategy for Advanced Individual Training (AIT) and Interservice Training Review Organization (ITRO)

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide HQ TRADOC with a Rifle Marksmanship Qualification strategy for AIT and ITRO courses greater than six weeks in length.
- 2. Recommendation. The Infantry School recommends implementation of a Rifle Marksmanship strategy using any one of these two options with a preference to option 2.
 - a. Option 1 All Live Fire (26 Hours).
 - b. Option 2 Combination of EST 2000 and Live Fire (40 Hours).

Discussion.

- a. HQ TRADOC tasked the Infantry School to develop a Rifle Marksmanship Qualification strategy for all AIT and ITRO courses, which are six weeks or longer in length. Guidance for the strategy included as a minimum, zero and qualification, M16/M4 with iron sights, and COE Lessons Learned.
- b. The Infantry School recognizes the large unfunded requirement with the combination of EST 2000 and live fire strategy, but also realizes the training benefit that a marksmanship trainer would provide. Furthermore, a solid Rifle Marksmanship training strategy could be phased in over time as funds become available.
- c. TSPs for use with the new IET strategy are either being updated or created and will be available when IET begins using the new strategy.
- d. Coordination has been effected with the Army Training Support Center for resourcing of ranges and TADDS support. There are significant issues with lack of ranges and TADSS at AIT and ITRO training locations.

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- e. Ammunition support will be a significant unprogrammed issue with over 11 million rounds required for Option 1.
- f. The enclosed power point presentation provides Rifle Marksmanship strategy options for AIT and ITRO courses. The strategy can be viewed and downloaded at the following link, http://www.infantry.army.mil/DOT/.
- 4. My point of contact for this action is Mr. Fred Roberts, Systems Division, Directorate of Operations and Training, DSN 835-1102, or commercial (706) 545-1102.

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